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Kimberly Gillette, Ph.D., Named Director of International Programs at U of M Crookston

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CROOKSTON, Minn. (May 30, 2007) – International outreach efforts are expanding at the University of Minnesota Crookston (UMC) with the hiring of Kimberly Gillette, Ph.D., as the new director of international programs at UMC. She will begin her duties in early July.

In her role, Gillette will provide vision and guidance for UMC's efforts to internationalize the curriculum and coordinate international programs. She will also work to expand study abroad opportunities, as well as oversee and manage UMC's International Education Office.

With twelve years of experience in higher education and international programs, Gillette has excellent credentials for coordinating and expanding activities in the international sphere. Kimberly comes to UMC from Minnesota State University Moorhead Office of International Programs where she served as the assistant director and coordinator for international student affairs. Prior to that, she worked in the Center for Global Student Programs at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

"With her extensive experience in international programs, cross-cultural training and her understanding of recruitment and retention of international students, Kimberly will be a valuable asset to the International Program Office at UMC," says Tom Baldwin, senior vice chancellor for academic and student affairs. "We are delighted to welcome her to the University of Minnesota Crookston."

Gillette recently completed her doctorate in educational leadership from the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. She also holds a master's degree in intercultural relations from Lesley College in Cambridge, Mass., and a bachelor's degree in French from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn.

For more information on international programs, visit our website or call 218-281-8339 (internationalPrograms@umcrookston.edu).

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